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Carl E. Edlund Superfund Division Director Region 6 United States Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

RE: San Jacinto River Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Edlund,

This letter is to request a meeting with you to discuss ongoing activities related to the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site (Site). As you are aware, on December 10, 2015, the EPA dive team performed an inspection of the Site and identified a small area (Area) that required further investigation and repair. International Paper Company (IP) and McGinnis Industrial Maintenance Corporation (MIMC) worked closely with EPA to conduct the investigation and timely repaired the Area in accordance with the Repair Plan approved by EPA on December 22, 2015. A Completion Report was submitted to EPA on January 14, 2016.

In connection with the Repair Plan, samples were collected in and around the Area and validated laboratory results will be available in the next few weeks. Additionally, it is our understanding the EPA dive team is preparing its inspection report. In anticipation of the receipt of the validated data and dive team report, IP would like to schedule a meeting with you to discuss next steps. Moreover, IP recognizes the public attention at the Site and wants to ensure that all parties receive timely and accurate information.

I will follow-up with your office to schedule a mutually agreeable time to meet within the next week and IP would be amenable to having MIMC participate as well, as you deem appropriate. In the interim, IP plans to continue its regular technical communications with EPA's project manager for the Site.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY

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Manager - EHS Audits and Remediation

cc: Mr. Gary Miller, USEPA

Mr. Philip Slowiak, International Paper Company